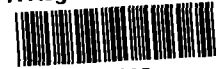




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November 16, 2001

Mr. Lecil M. Colburn, Director
Environmental Affairs
Celotex Corporation
4010 Boy Scout Boulevard
Tampa, Florida 33607

Re: Completion of Work under Order No. V-W-94-C-242 for the Forked Creek Site, Celotex Corporation, Wilmington, Illinois, FPN 088117

Dear Mr. Colburn:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and Celotex Corporation entered into an Administrative Order by Consent on March 1, 2000 requiring that Celotex perform specified removal activities at the Forked Creek Site in Wilmington, Illinois. That Order was issued to address the discharge of oil from shingles and other petroleum-based materials along a portion of the south bank of Forked Creek and the eastern bank of the Kankakee River. Pursuant to that Order, Celotex Corporation submitted a removal workplan on November 8, 1999 which was approved by U.S. EPA. Site work was initiated on March 13, 2000 and was completed on March 17, 2000.

On May 17, 2001, Celotex Corporation submitted a revised final report on their activities at the site, as required by the Order. Based on my review of the final report, and a final inspection of the site performed on October 23, 2001, I conclude that Celotex has completed the following work required by the Order:

Within the Removal Area:

1. Prepare and implement the site health and safety plan;
2. Secure the removal area during removal activities;
3. Remove and dispose of, and/or grade and cover, the visible deposits of petroleum-based material on the river bank;
4. Backfill all excavated areas;
5. Stabilize the river and creek banks with riprap or other appropriate material
6. Transport and dispose of all waste materials;
7. Perform all work in accordance with state and federal regulations.

Within the Site River/Creek Bank:

1. Prepare and implement the site health and safety plan;
2. Secure the Site River/Creek Bank during removal activities;
3. Remove from the surface of the Site River/Creek Bank pieces of petroleum-

- based debris that are greater than one cubic inch and less than one cubic foot;
4. Dispose of the debris in accordance with U.S. EPA's off-site rule and Illinois law;
 5. As a result of Post-Removal Site Control, take additional actions on any newly exposed debris in the Site River/Creek Bank.

This letter merely reflects U.S. EPA's determination that the work required by the Order was completed. This notice of completion in no way releases Celotex Corporation from any potential future obligations to perform additional work to address the same, or other, conditions at the site. Similarly, this notice of completion does not release Celotex Corporation from any post-removal site control, recordkeeping, payment, or other obligations under the Order that extend beyond the date of this notice.

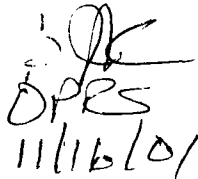
Please contact me at 312/886-7194 or Richard Murawski at 312/353-6721 if you have any questions concerning this letter.

Sincerely,



Karen A. Vendl
Federal On-Scene Coordinator

cc: Richard Murawski, U.S. EPA
Site file
Pat Ryan, NPFC



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